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The amendment filed on 12/13/07 canceling all claims drawn to the elected invention and presenting only claims drawn to a non-elected invention is non-responsive (MPEP § 821.03). The remaining claims are not readable on the elected invention because newly presented claims refer to a new communication apparatus provided on a steering handle of an automobile.

Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a bona fide attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

Newly submitted claims 39-41 are directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed for the following reasons:

Newly presented claims refer to a communication apparatus provided on a steering handle of an automobile, wherein the originally presented claims refer to a mobile or PDA device and keyboard layout associated.

Since applicant has received an action on the merits for the originally presented invention, this invention has been constructively elected by original presentation for prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, claims 39-41 are withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. See 37 CFR 1.142(b) and MPEP § 821.03.

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